IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (Amended) A method comprising the steps of:

receiving a media input stream;

saving data corresponding to the media input stream in a buffer continuously during a time interval; and

selecting portions of the buffer for storage in a media file on a mass storage device responsive to a punch in signal and a punch out signal wherein the media file contains input stream data for a time window greater [then] than a

time window between the purch in signal and the punch out signal.

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8. (Amended) The method of claim 7 further comprising the steps of: checking a buffer block for a storage tag prior to reallocating the buffer block to be overwritten;

storing all contiguous buffer blocks containing a storage tag in the mass storage device as the media file; and

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reallocating the buffer block to be overwritten if no storage tag [exist] exists or after the data has been stored to the media file if a storage tag exists.

Please add the following new claim: